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FIXTURES FOR JULY 25th.

AIL AGE
Glebe Diamonds v Plywood Rover
rose Park No. 1, 3,15.
Five Dock v City United, Al.
3,15.

Leichhardt Juniors the bye.

A GRADE Newtown Juniors Sunlight v Newtown Junior River, 3.15.
Balmain St. Mary's forfeit hardt Juniors.

Alexandria v Lilyfield, Erskinevi Easton Park the bye.

B GRADE Lilyfifield v Annandale Federal River, 1.45.
Punch Park forfeit to Banksn Rozelle Waratahs v Leichhardt Algie Park, 1.45.
Warren Avoca the bye.

C GRADE, DIVISION
Lilyfield v Wentworth Juniors,
Park No. 1, 1, 45.
Balmain Gladstones v Rozelle
Primrose Park No. 2, 2 p.
Fivedock v Annandale Warata
andria, 3, 15.
Leichhardt Juniors the bye.

C GRADE, DIVISION

Annandale Athletic v Erskinev
gers, Alexandria, 2 p.m.

Stammore forfeit to Alexandria
Botany Rechabites v Glebe Juni
rose Park No. 2, 3.15.

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Will Australia Surprise England?

milestone the in of an English game is the representatives of who have almost comeir tour of Australia. teams have in the past dribbling code enin Continental countries was previously almost Even in Spain and it has created a love of it is firmly established Canada, South Afand and Japan. the Chinese was amply to Australians two If progress on such Chinese revealed in been made in the mentioned it is not wisualise the possibilitours of Australia ged with leading Conatries or South Africa.

be the result of the work of the Englishthe Soccer players monwealth, in a few evolve a team with will take England and recover the mythof Soccer just as the cicketers have done. the writer's recollec-English cricket teams than a match for 13 Arstralia's best; but Talia is supreme. Can players do likewise? mossible.

happening should of the credit of plishment must be the Englishmen in the fourth Test

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men have revealed in no uncertain manner. The hythmical movements of the forwards, the co-operation of the half-back line in defence and attack, and the splendid cover of the full-backs is excellent tutorship for adept Australian youths.

Of the thousands who delight in clever football, those who look on, as well as those who play, like to see goals secred. There certainly seems, to the average man, more pleasure from a game that finishes with the tally four-all than in one that produces only a single goal. In this respect the target artists of the English side have shown us correct scoring methods, and value of "first time" drives for goal. There is no hesitancy by an Englishmen when within range of the goal, and there is no lack of shooting ability either.

The go-ahead methods of the Australian forwards make for thrilling contests. They are fast, and do not waste time weaving pretty patterns on the turf, but they have yet to master ball control, and the best position to take up when on the advance. The Englishmen have given the lesson. Let Sydney club managers see to it that the knowledge imparted is utilised in the premiership and Gardiner Cup games, and thus ensure the increased attendances so essential to the success of the big ideas of the future.

JUNIOR INTERSTATE TOUR.

At the request of the Queens-land Association the junior tour of New South Wales by a Queensland XI. has been deferred until next season.

The Teams in the First Test Game

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AT BRISBANE



AUSTRALIAN XI.

S. Robinson, Murray, E P. Lennard, R. McNaughton, L. Brown, F. Gallen, S. Bourke, -. McCroary, A. Storey, A. Edwards, G. Cartwright, G.



THE ENG LISH XI.

Elkes, J. Hamilton, Simms, S. Seymour, C. Poynton Graham, H. Hardy, C. Hannaford, E. Spencer, Charlton, C.

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ENGLISHMEN'S RECORD.

The Englishmen's record date is as follows:-England 8 v Perth 0. England 7 v West Australia 0. England 10 v South Australia 0. England 4 v Australian Eleven 1. England 7 v Victoria 0. England 5 v Australia 0. England 3 v New South Wales 2. England 3 v Metropolis 1. England 8 v Illawarra 0. England 4 v New South Wales 1. England 6 v Northern Districts 0. England 3 v Ipswich 0. England 11 v Queensland 0. England 9 v Bundaberg 0. England 5 v Australia 1. England 6 v Toowoomba 0. England 2 v Australia 1. England 3 v Newcastle 0. England 8 v Australia 2. England 4; South Maitland 1.



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Goal: Gerrie (Birchgrove)

2-Young (Alexandria) 1-Woods (Bankstown)

5-McGuire 4—Strauchan 3-Nicholls (Orange Grown (Pyrmont) (Bankstown) . 10-

9—Palmer

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7—Brydon 6-Dalley (Bankstown) (Birchgrove) (Birchgrove) 8-Mortimer (Annandale)

8-Murray (Woonona)

7—Critcher 9-Hawdon 10-Brodie (Wollongong) (Wollongong) (Wollongong)

3-Kells 4-Phillips 5—Smith Port Kemb (Balgownie) (Coledale

1-Welch (Woon 2-Grills (Thirroul)

Leishman (Woonona)

Goal: * SOUTH COAST

Reserves-Metropolis: 11-Oakley (Banksmeadow); 12-(Birchgrove); 13-Watts (Ultimo).

Reserves-South Coast: 11-Barmforth (Coledale); (Coledale); 13-Lenham (Scarborough) Referee: E. Ratcliffe.

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GRANVILLE JUNIORS

(Black and White Stripes)

Goal:

W. Doodson

1-J. Hoare

2-J. Greenshields

-W. Hawney

4-W. Wilson

5-C. Malcolm

7-J. Musgrove 9-G. Hall 10-J. Hammond

8-F. Hines (Capt.)

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(Team not selected at press).

Goal:

METROPOLITAN JUNIORS.

Granville: 11-A. Barker; 12-J. Caren; 13-F. McIn-

Referee: T. Leighton.

Linesmen: W. Blakeley and H. S. Cockwell.

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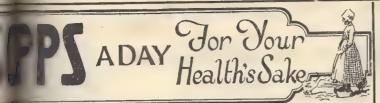
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Referee: W. WRIGHT

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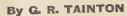
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THE ENGLISHMEN

WHO'S WHO IN THE VISITING TEAM



LTHOUGH some English writers, when the personnel of the English team was first nounced, attempted to throw cold water on the combination, mainly because several big name men of the older brigades, were missing, and a little, perhaps, because every side chosen any sport is bound to be criticsed, the visitors, by their performances to date, have more than firmed the views of those critics who declared that the players constituted the ideal lot for Auslian conditions.

The touring side, composed as it is for the most part of young, virile players, is undoubted the best the English Football Association could have chosen to do battle with fit, speedy, and deing Australians who are accustomed to hard, dry grounds, a light and bouncy ball, and a compa-

tively warm winter.

Personnel of the Team at a glance

Goal:

H. Hardy (Stockport County) and J. E. Davison (The Wednesday).

Backs:

C. Poynton (Tottenham Hotspurs), T. J. Whittaker (Arsenal), and S. Charlton (Exeter C

Half-backs:

C. W. Spencer (Newcastle United), J. Hannah (Norwich City), L. Graham (Millwall), W. C. (Dulwich Hamlet), J. Hamilton (Crystal Palace).

Forwards:

G. S. Seymour (Newcastle United), J. Elkes (Tottenham Hotspur), E. Simms (Stockport Coww. W. Williams (West Ham), C. Hannaford (Clapton Orient), J. Walsh (Liverpool), W. (Tottenham Hotspur), and H. Batten (Plymouth Argyle).

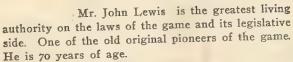
Managers: Messrs. John Lewis and M. C. Frowde. Trainer: Mr. M. Atherton.



C. W. Spencer.

There are 7000 Soccer "pros" in England. Altegether there are three-quarters of a million playing Soccer in England every week. The English selectors had hundreds of top-notch professionals to pick a team from. Hence the combination now visiting Brisbane is fairly representative of first-class Soccer in England. The average weight of the visitors is 11st. 7lb., and the average height 5ft. 9in. The English Soccer "pro" lacks nothing in the way of physique. There are five internationals in the team, whilst three other players were precious near to receiving caps this year, after having appeared in trial matches in England.

THE HON. MANAGERS



Mr. M. C. Frowde, played Soccer for Dorset, and for 25 years has been honorary secretary of the Dorset County F.A.



Mr. M. C. Frowde



H. Ha

Mr. John

The Englishmen

PEN PICTURES OF THE TOURISTS









H. Hardy.

J. E. Davison.

rdy (Stockport County), of Stockport birth ing, was placed in the County team early, and did not miss a League match until on to keep goal for the Football League in October. He also played for the North England versus Belgium in the 1924-25 sea-

Davison (The Wednesday) was born at and transferred from Gateshead Town ed for season 1908-9. One of the best goal-The Wednesday ever had, he played for against Wales in 1922.

W. Spencer (Newcastle United) developed entre half-back in Army games, and went



Cecil Poynton (Tottenham Hotspur), from Brownhill (Staffs.), joined the 'Spurs two seasons back from Ton Pentre, in the Welsh League, whence came Seed. First tried as a half-back, he is a strong, vigorous defender of 5ft. 10in. and 11st. 10lb.

Poynton.

Whittaker (Arsenal), an Aldershot player in prominent Army football. He has been enal five years, was regarded as a half-back, valued versatility. A dashing, well-built seful in any department.

Charlton (Exeter City), from Bolton way, after helping Oldham Athletic and In his second season with Exeter, his seaks of consistency. Besides being hard

be uses the ball shrewdly. Hannah (Norwich City) secured a place



Charlton.



L. Graham.

further anead on returning to his native Washington (Durham). Signed by Newcastle in October, 1921, he earned a Cup winners' medal, a cap against Scotland last year, and a second against Wales this year at Swansea. Strong in defence and built for hard work.

Leonard Graham (Millwall) confessed surprise when selected for the Southern trial team this year, but thoroughly earned his cap against Wales. Also played for the League against the Scottish League, whilst the Saturday before he left for Australia he was chosen to play against Scotland. A dainty left half-back, a product of the Leytonstone Club, and a player with a future.

William Caesar (Dulwich Hamlet), the only amateur player of the party, is a Battersea-born footballer who can operate in most positions in defence, which is useful on tour. He three times played for England's Amateurs in the 1924-25 season, against South Africa (twice) and Wales.



at right half-back in the 1924-25 season's international trials, revealed soundness, and also has versatility. Joined the City as a centre-forward, from

Sheringham, three seasons ago.

James Hamilton (Crystal Palace), another big centre half-back of Durham birth, served Eppleton, on Wearside, prior to joining the Army. Afterwards he went to the Palace, for whom he first made his mark in the third of the Cup replays with Notts County last season. Rapidly improving as a

prompter of attacks.



J. Hannah.



J. Hamilton.



Whittaker.

The Englishmen

THE FORWARDS



Stan. Seymour.



J. Elkes.



C. Hannaford.



J. Walsh

G. Stanley Seymour (Newcastle United), fast, quick to cut in, and the scorer of many goals from outside left. He had Elkes by his side against the Scottish League at Everton. Another son of Durham, he sampled Scottish football with Greenock Morton after a spell with Bradford City, and joined Newcastle in 1920. Has long been close in the running for his cap.

John Elkes (Tottenham Hotspur) boasts something more than six feet of stature, which prompted the idea of trying him at centre half-back early in the 1924-25 season. Inside left, however, is his natural berth. Wellington, Salop, was his birthplace, and he has seen service with Birmingham and South-ampton. Another handy man, and a big one—a wonderful shot—with inter-League and trial hon-He was picked as a reserve for England against Scotland the Saturday before he left for Australia.

Ernest Simms (Stockport County) played at centre-forward for England against Ireland in 1922, whilst with Luton Town. Developed with Barnsley before the war, and went from Luton to South Shields, whom he left in 1923-24. A plain, go-ahead

leader, and a strong marksman.

W. Williams (West Ham United) is one of the many schoolboy internationals developed in the East End of London. Next played with Fairbairn House, and went to the United when quite a boy. A very capable forward, useful in any inside position, and promising to earn more honours.

Charles Hannaford (Clapton Orient). schoolboy international. He joined Tufnin the Isthmian League, then became a prowith Maidstone United, to serve with Athletic and Millwall before going to the An outside forward who can figure on either he possesses good ball control, and cenmarked accuracy.

James Walsh (Liverpool), another centre with Stockport connections, as he was born town and left the County club for Liverpool 1922. Chief scorer for the Anfield team in he was hindered by injury in the 1924-25 tea

William Sage (Tottenham Hotspur) is monton, and another handy man, for he ha as centre forward, centre half-back, right and outside right in the League team. A distinct promise, capable on tour of figuri tically anywhere required. He joined the from the Royal Engineers in season 191 toured South Africa under Mr. John Lewis

H. G. Batten (Plymouth Argyle). A forward, who joined the Argyle, following from Bristol City. He has played at outs inside left, and in the 1924-25 season at ce ward. Not only is he a player who can cleverly for openings, but he is a marksman mean ability. He is the leading scorer of his



E. Simms.



W. Williams.



W. Sage.



H. G. Batter



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A Division.

Pyrmont defeated North Sydney

Sunlight defeated Callan Park

Balmain Colliery and Lane Cove drew 2-2.

Annandale-Leichhardt forfeited to Auburn.

B Division.

Alexandria defeated Botany Alb.

Bankstown and R.A.N. drew -0 Eastern Suburbs and G. R. Holcombe drew 1-1.

The B Division has now been completed, and Alexandria has been declared the winners.

COMPETITION TABLES

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

			Goals .						
	P	W	L	D	F .	A J	?ts		
Granville	10	9		_			18		
Gladesville-Ryde	11	9	2	<u>*</u>			18		
Balmain	11	6	5			14	12		
Canterbury	9	5	3			13	11		
	10	4	5		17		9		
Pyrmont	11	2	7		13		6		
St. George	10	1	6	3	13	20	5		
East. Suburbs .	10	1	8	1	12	30	3		

SECOND GRADE

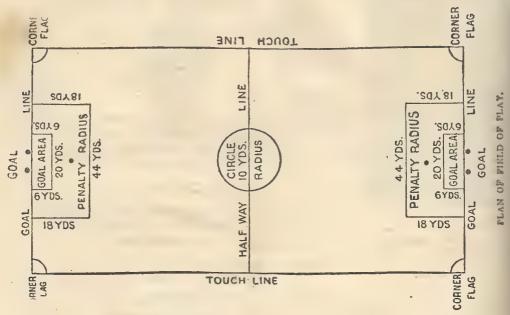
Balmain	11	8	1	2	27	7	18
Granville	11	7	1			10	
Pyrmont	11	=6	2			1.1	
Annandale-Leich.	11	6	3			1.6	
Canterbury	10	4	4			14	
Gladesville-Ryde	11	_	6			30	
East. Suburbs .	9	1				24	.5
St. George	11		11		6	31	0

SECOND GRADE

A	Division								
Auburn	"1 O.	10		_	34	5	20		
Bal. Colliery .	10	6	2			13			
Pyrmont		6	3	1.	23	9	13		
Sunlight		5	2	2	20	15	12		
N. Syd. Rngs.		4	4	2	16	22	10		
Callan Park	9	2	7	_	16	19	4		
Annandale-Leich.		2							
Lane Cove			9	1	10	47	1		
В	Division								

Alexandria	10	9	1		49	9	18
Bankstown	10	6	2	2	30	12	14
Botany Alb	10	6	4.	_	36	25	12
R. A. N.	10	5	3	2	44	16	12
East. Suburbs .	10	·1	8	1	12	43	3
G. R. Holcombe	10		9	1	, 8	74	1

How Soccer Football is Played



With the Explanations given below, the Field of Play can be understood at a glance.

Soccer is NOT HANDBALL. It is FOOTBALL. None of the players, excepting the goalkeeper, are allowed to touch the ball with their hands. Science, therefore, is the all-important factor in the game.

Pace, stamina, ball control with both head and foot, and accuracy of passing, are the things that count in a Soccer player.

Combination is the thing that counts in a Soccer team.

The measure of a Soccer team's success is dependent on the adaptation of individual skill to the general formation.

Eleven players form a Soccer side—five forwards, three half-backs, two backs and a goal-keeper. The duration of the game is 45 minutes each way.

Only the goalkeeper is allowed to handle the ball, and then only in the penalty area. He must not take more than two steps while holding the ball, otherwise a free kick (defined below) is given.

The ball is kicked off from the centre of the field optionally by the side which loses the toss for choice of goals. After each goal, the game is recommenced in the same way by the eleven which did not score. A goal is only scored when the ball crosses the goal line between the posts.

When the ball goes behind, it is kicked off from

within the goal area, nearest the point out.

If the ball is played behind by one : fending side, a player of the attacking it from the nearest corner flagstaff. This a corner kick.

When the ball goes into touch, a play opposite side to that which played the throws it in from the point where it left of play.

In the event of intentional findling of and tripping, kicking or holding an opportunity and an opportunity and an opportunity and an opportunity area, the reference a penalty kick which is taken from the mark with all the players, except the latter opposing goalkeeper, standing at least from the ball.

A free kick is given for any of the above ments committed outside the penalty a kicker's opponents must not approach yards of the ball.

A player is offside when he takes, or to take, a forward pass in other than his and there are not at least three opponents of him. It is not an infringement to side.

A goal cannot be scored direct from a or goal kick, or from free kicks except are awarded for handling, tripping, kicking or illegally charging an opponent.

Will Soccer Sweep Australia?

Facts That Speak For Themselves

Not in a thousand years," cried an adherent of the Australian Rules Code, when a Melbourne enquired whether Soccer was likely to oust the Australian Game from its native arenas.

Impossible," retorted a Brisbane Rugby League enthusiast when asked if he thought "The Soccer as it is called in the South, would eventually outgrow the popularity of his Code in Brisbane and

any rate let the following facts speak for themselves:-

WALES

Soccer teams, total playing of 7000.

there are boy teams,

LAND

tropolitan 75 more in Four Layers take



IN MELBOURNE

1250 players each Saturday take the field in six divisions, representing 46 clubs. The game is rapidly spreading in the country.

ADELAIDE

has 66 Soccer Clubs, with 11 more in country centres. Nearly 2000 players each Saturday play Soccer in South Australia.

IN WEST AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA

the Soccer game is making steady, but sure, progress.

madsome Silver Trophy, valued at £200, was presented to Australia last by the English Football Association for Interstate Competition.

Trophy is surmounted by a footballer and flanked by arms and figures representing England

Soccer would have been laughed at. But in such former Rugby strongholds as Cardiff and Swansea, the play Soccer, now have a greater following than Rugby clubs. What can happen in Wales can also take ervative country like Australia.

Protestant Churches Association

Smoke Social.

Club Secretaries are reminded of this event, to be held in St. Barnabas' School Hall, on Thursday, 30th July. Those Secretaries who know of artists should forward names to the Association at

Hon. Secretary Ill.

Clubs will be sorry to learn that Mr. R. H. Henry has contracted the flu, and this accounts for the absence of any notes this week. However, as it is only a mild attack, this popular Association Secretary hopes to be "on deck" again next Tuesday.

Draw for Saturday, 25th July, 1925.

First Grade.

Drum. Bapt. v Alex. Mission A
on Wardell Rd. No. 2, at 3.15.

Pyrmont Congs. v St. Johns Bal. A, Cooks River No. 1, 3.15.

Holy Trinity v Austens, Botany No. 1, 3.15.

. Clements v All L'hardt Flat, 3.15. St. Clements Saints A.

Second Grade, A Division.

M'kville Pres. A v St. Andrews,
Wardell Rd. No. 2, 1.45.

Tempe Park Meth. v Lakemba

Congs. A, Lakemba, 3.15.

Canterbury Meth. v Concord Meth., Concord, 1.45. M'kville Bapt. v Hurlstone Park

Congs., Concord, 3.15.

Second Grade, B Division. Enmore K.S.P. v Holy Trinity B, Wardell Rd. No. 1, 1.45.

St. Bartholomews v Botany Meth.

A, Botany No. 1, 1.45. Campsie Meth. A v St. K.S.P., Campsie, 3.15. Peters

Alex. Mission B v City Mission, Centen. Pk. No. 2, 3.15.

Second Grade, B Division. Croydon Congs. A v All Souls, L'hardt Flat, 1.45.

St. Johns Glebe v St. Aidans A,
Wardell Rd. No. 4, 3.15.
L'hardt Meth. v St. Stephens,
Wardell Rd. No. 1, 3.15. All Saints B v St. Albans, Hurl-

stone Park, 3.15.

Third Grade, B Division.

Johns Bal. B v St. Bedes, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 3.15.

Balmain Meths. v Austens Jnrs., Centen. Park No. 2, 1.45. Rozelle Meth. v St. Aidans B, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 1.45.

Annandale Meth. v St. Thomas A.

Wardell Rd. No. 4, 1.45. M'kville Pres. B v Lakemba Congs B, Centen. Park No. 1, 1.45.

Third Grade, B Division. Croydon Congs. B v Botany Pres., Botany No. 2, 3.15.

Campsie Meth. B v St.

Campsie, 1.45. St. Thomas B v Hurlstone Park Meth., Hurlstone Park, 1.45.

Campsie Congs. v Botany Meth. B, Centen. Park No. 1, 3.15. St. Silas the bye.

NO LONGER A "CHUMMY" GAME.

An Old Gibe that has Lost its Point.

(Written for the "Soccer Record" in Queensland.)

The old gibe, that Soccer is a . "chummy" game—in other words, that it is only played by "New Chums" in this country-has long lost its point, says Mr. H. Ashworth, chairman of the Executive of the Queensland Football Association, in the following article.

Mr. Ashworth points out that the vast majority of Australian Soccer players are native born. Australia's greatest exponents of the round ball game, "Judy" Masters, Harold Spurway, Nick Cartwright ,and others, first saw the light of day in this country.

It is generally accepted, among followers of other codes of football in Australia, that Soccer is only played in this country. by "New Chums," and it is designated by many as a "chummy" game. Apart from the question whether it is any worse for having originated in Scotland. will point out that at the present time it is far from being a "chummy" game. The old gibe has

long lost its point for Division of Brisbane the present time is comsix senior teams, of woone team, viz.: Thistle any claim to having a ance of home-born player

Of the others, Pinearers, who at the time this article, head the table, are 95 per cent. born, and learned all of Soccer at the Kangaran School.

Latrobe, another fine ry the same percent Queensland-born players School having been their ground.

Shafston Rovers com full 100 per cent. of Quant players, these also having ated at the Kangaro School.

Wynnum carry about percentage, while Ding derers, the remaining class other team with practice per cent. of Australian-

In the Junior grades the same applies, and Executive contains a keen young Australians proving themselves legislators of the game

In the recent games, against the English New South Wales XI. one exception, composed dinkum Aussie breed.

To come nearer home the team which was represent Queensland England contained nine lian-born players. The born in Wales and the player was born in Scot imbibed his knowledge at the Kangaroo Point that early training ground many Brisbane athletes.
The Ipswich team,

feated Brisbane twice the is 100 per cent. Australia

Facts such as the talk louder than empty and demonstrate to the observer that the young lian has taken to the rou game with avidity, and to support it in increasing bers.

The "chummy" gibe lived its usefulness as Soccer, and nothing now but to give it decent bur

The Big Guns in Queensland Soccer



Hon. W. BERTRAM.

THE PRESIDENT.

The Hon. W. Bertram, Speaker of he Queensland Parliament, and President of the Queensland Football Association, is, in a sense, a convert to Soccer, for when he lived at Warwick years ago he took a prominent part in Rugby Union football. He was also keenly interested in gymnastics, and later won the Queensland Amateur Middleweight Boxing Championship. He is President of the Queensland Boxing and Wrestling Union, and frequently acts as referee in the ring. A native of Scotland, he came to Queensland when eight years of age.

THE CHAIRMAN.

Mr. Herbert Ashworth was President of the Q.F.A. in 1923 and again last year. He did not seek re-election this year, but he was promoted from the position of a member of the executive to that of Chairman, when Mr. J. W. Kendall resigned to go to Bundabeg.



Mr. H. ASHWORTH.

Chief Object of English Tour

What the Hon. Manager, Mr. John Lewis Says



The chief object of the tour is to show the people of Australia what Soccer football really is. We have shown the people of every State something they have not seen before. You have seen football of the nature that should tend to make you in the future better exponents of the art of Soccer.

No, I do not think it necessary to import professional coaches to improve the standard of your play. Teach the schoolboys the game, and you will be working on the right lines.

That reminds me, I do not think the boys here are being quite trained in the right way. By that I do not mean that anything is being done wrongly, but that the grounds they are playing on are too big.

These grounds which are 70 to 75 yards wide, do not make the boys realise how Soccer should be played. It makes them kick the ball too hard all the time, and does not give them a proper opportunity to exploit their individual ability.

I believe that grounds should be made narrow for boys up to 15 years of age—not more than 50 yards wide—after that age it doesn't much matter.

The great object of every Soccer player should be to keep the ball on the ground. Then again, you do not realise that the half-backs should be both advancers and attackers. You should, however, profit by the experience of seeing the Englishmen play, and in future develop on those lines.



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